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Madison, Wisconsin -- Stephen P. Sinnott, United States Attorney for the Western District of Wisconsin, announced that James Kinsley, 34, of Winter, Wisconsin, was sentenced on May 19, 2006 by U.S. District Judge John C. Shabaz to 42 months in prison for distributing cocaine. Kinsley pleaded guilty to this charge on March 10, 2006.

Kinsley was found responsible for distributing approximately 7 ounces of cocaine and almost an ounce of methamphetamine. Judge Shabaz said a 42-month sentence was necessary because he believed Kinsley to be a danger to the community.

The charges against Kinsley were the result of an investigation conducted by the Sawyer County Sheriff's Department. Prosecution of the case has been handled by Assistant U.S. Attorney Elizabeth Altman.

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